WHAT: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Community Services (OCS), announces that applications will be accepted for the Compassion Capital Fund Communities Empowering Youth Program. ACF will award funds to build the organizational capacity of experienced organizations and their partnering faith-based and community organizations to better meet the needs of America's disadvantaged youth. The lead faith-based or community organization (lead organization) will assist its faith-based and community partners through technical assistance and training in four CEY critical areas: 1) leadership development, 2) organizational development, 3) program development, and 4) community engagement. CCF CEY monies are to be used by the lead organization and its partnering faith-based and community organizations to increase their overall organizational sustainability and capacity. Capacity building activities are designed to increase an organization's sustainability and effectiveness, enhance its ability to provide social services, develop and/or diversify its funding sources, and create effective collaborations to better serve those most in need.

WHO: Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

WHEN: Applications are due by July 10, 2006.

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to 100 awards totaling \$30,000,000.

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